

THE SIBONGILE SHOUT OUT



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Some of the encouraging words

As you are
Stronger than you know
More beautiful than you think
Worthier than you believe
More loved than you can ever
imagine.
Passionate about making a difference
Fiery when protecting those you love
Learning Growing Not alone
Warm Giving Generous
Quirky Sexy Funny Smart
Flawed Whole Scared Brave
And so, so, so much more
~Copyright: Tia Sparkles Singh, 2011

These are amazing words by Tia Sparkles Singh. I personally agree. Sometimes a compliment is all you need as a motivation to your work. Acknowledgement is well received when appreciation has been well expressed.

Charity at home
We have heard the saying that "Its either you do it with your all, and with passion or don't do it at all" giving without expecting anything in return is not questionable but rather makes one feel good about themselves, you should try it ☺. You really want to feel good ok, lets try this. Take a time out and visit a charity centre next to your location and or in your location, if you already know what they are doing, put a ☺ in your face and compliment them for their well-done job. Ask how you can help.

CSPID Team

We are on the other level, definitely. The first round for the CSPID team has passed and left the program Implementer with so much to do. Touch-basing on the amendments by the CSPID team: They provided CP training for the caregivers from the

Day Care Centre to our residential houses. Equipping staff with relevant knowledge enables us as the organisation to prevent unnecessary mistakes, problems and so forth. During the time(s) (recently and previously) they were here they also monitored the Day Care Centre program and made necessary amendments specifically for time location of the program. They were also able to visit our residential houses but were not able to provide training to the remaining staff due to the organisation's busy schedule. Our relationship with the CSPID team is utmost best.

Parental Meeting

Staff members continue to have a great relationship with parents from the community and parents from our residential houses. Attendance from the residential houses is slightly worrying as we encourage parents to attend these meetings. Parental meetings takes place once in a while hence parents are encouraged to visit their children in the centre. It is always good to see parents showing interests in their children's lives

Some of the things you can do at home with your child by Yanga (Teacher)



Sensory development;

Make use of sand and stones in different containers for children to explore different textures. This also provides your child an opportunity to see, feel things that they usually see from a distance, this give them a mindset of things that are not in their environment.

We take them from their world to the outside world and slowly but surely...

Life at Day Care



"Did you know?"

Children from our Day Care are now familiar with their daily time-table; they know which children leave at 15h00 and which children leave at 15h30. With that being said they also know which transport they will be travelling with. They also know other children at school. Children are divided into 3 different groups according to teachers and they know exactly which groups they belong to. Children take these groups as far as preferring to be fed by their group teacher; it is even more exciting when they prefer to be disciplined by them. Those who are able to walk on their own and able to feed themselves, after feeding they take their bowls straight to the kitchen. When it is time for nappy change they are asked to leave the classroom and head to the bathroom and they will do as they are told. Recently teachers noticed one more improvement as they saw that when they ask a child who's nappy is still dry they refuse to go to the bathroom and respond "hayi mama" as in no mama in English. With that response they will just feel the nappy.

You will be surprised to know that some of the children have duties that they are aware of.

Sibongile
day & night care centre



To mention just one; Sibulele knows that he must take other children's bags and move them closer to the door for the drivers and bus assistant to pick up them easier.

They are aware on who does what for example they know office staff by names. They know who works at the kitchen, their teachers by name, and the drivers and finally aware that Mrs Nomasango Xabanisa is the founder and boss around here and sometimes seek for special attention, *Children and their tricks* that is just the beauty of surrounding yourself with these kiddies.

Wonderful beautiful and clever.

See below class of 2016 (Some of the children)



Support group (females ONLY)

The organisation continues to provide support to parents from the community who have children who are living with disabilities. The support group takes place every Sunday at 11h00 until further notice. This support group does not only accommodate Sibongile members but families in the community that are affected by disability to come and share their good(s) and bad(s) stories.

Disability is for us all

Western Cape Forum News announced in their January news a list of training that were going to be available throughout the year. Some of our staff members have already benefited from the above mentioned starting from caregivers, finance

staff, administrators supervisors and management.

It is with great pleasure to have a great relationship with all our supports, Residential Housing Maintenance Sponsored by the Wings of Support

Housing maintenance took place on Saturday the 12th of March. The team from the Wings of Support group and the team from Sibongile excitedly worked it all out from painting wall at House 3 and House 4 and re-decorating them.

place. Indeed our children had the best day yes.

But still

As much as we are doing great here at the organisation, however we are still wishing for the following professional volunteers:

Occupational therapist

Speech therapist

Donation in kind (remember winter is around the corner).

How to donate? Please refer to our website also contact details are found at the bottom of this newsletter.

Cots and single beds

Nappies – huggies sized at 5 (15 kg)

Buggy maintenance

Office upgrade

The Lord will watch over your coming and going both now and forevermore...

Painting wood structures from the playgrounds (all houses) and fixed all the small hiccups that needed attention, from door handles, globes gutters and so forth.

By the end of the day they were all tired and were proud themselves of their well-done job. See below the team from the Wings of Support:



Summer continued at the residential houses, this trip as-well spent their sunny day at the Monwabisi beach with all the swimming and braai taking

Your playing small does not serve the world.

The organisation and its staff members strive to emphasize the importance of mother to child relationship. We are working hard to encourage parents of our children to believe in them that they can improve, that they are able to learn. We want them to be involved when we are making these improvements, for them to see the, they must be aware of the responsibilities (which they are). "Nothing for our children without their parents"

Happy Easter Holidays

Rejoice in the Lord always. I will say it again: Rejoice

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